

prime of life. One of the two was a very active member of the Building Committee engaged in erecting our meeting house there last year.

We are looking forward with hope to the coming of our brethren among us in June.

Yours in haste, WM. E. HALL.

May 5th, 1884.

TRURO.—Brief notices such as the following, have a world of meaning in them which gladden the heart of Christians, even as in the words of our Lord in Luke xv. 7, 10:

Yesterday, before Communion I gave the hand of fellowship to eight, five of whom I baptized in the morning. The spirit still lingers to be gracious. Help me to praise.

J. E. G. Truro, May 5th, 1884.

THE HOLY SPIRIT VIEWED IN REGARD TO HUMAN AGENTS.—Water springing up through the earth's strata tastes of the various ingredients of the soil through which it has passed—chalybeate, saline, &c., and hence its peculiar and medicinal properties, as at Bath, Buxton and elsewhere. So the Holy Spirit, although using men as His agents, "Does not destroy the personalities of each." Their several prophecies taste, so to speak, of the mental and other peculiarities by which one man is distinguished from another. The hopefulness of Isaiah, the despondency of Jeremiah, and the sternness of Ezekiel, formed the natural substratum through which the Holy Spirit flowed. Man, as he is, is the organ upon which the Holy Spirit discourses sweet music. "Holy men spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost."—F. B. Proctor.

Home News

Nova Scotia.

The Halifax Civic Elections on Wednesday last resulted in the return of Mr. J. C. Mackintosh for Mayor by 946 votes, against 789 for Dr. Jennings.

The Council now consists of the following gentlemen:

- Mayor, J. C. Mackintosh. Aldermen—Ward One: Robert Sedgewick, B. F. Pearson. Ward Two: A. G. Hesselink, Thomas Spelman, Duncan McDougall. Ward Three: Alex. Stephen, Jr.; W. B. McSweeney, Jas. E. Wilson. Ward Four: Robert Theakston, Geo. McLellan, Patrick O'Mullin. Ward Five: James Shand, John Ead, John McInnes. Ward Six: Edward O'Bryan, John P. Longard, William Taylor.

The vacancy in Ward One occasioned by the election of Alderman Mackintosh for Mayor will be filled by an election shortly.

A Souris correspondent of the Charlottetown Examiner says that there are whole villages nesting in peace, content and plenty, on the shores of Nova Scotia, where poverty is unknown, and that coughs did it.

Edward Weeks of Falmouth, last week fell through the Windsor Railway bridge and was drowned.

The steamer Falmouth formerly running between Halifax and Boston, was destroyed by fire at Portland, Me., on Monday of last week.

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The City School Commissioners held a meeting on Thursday afternoon. There was quite a discussion as to the propriety of having the telephone recently placed in the office at a cost of \$40.

Miss C. A. Payson of the Acadia School was granted five months leave of absence on account of ill health.

The following is a list of the pupils in the various city schools who recently applied for admission to the High School, and the result of the examinations:—

Scholarship—J. S. Alexander, W. H. Conrod, E. G. Coombes, R. W. Crowe, W. S. Davidson, G. DeBlois, A. Gossip, W. C. Harris, C. F. Hilditch, W. Holloway, J. G. Jamieson, (not allowed, as he is the son of a military man), J. C. Jones, A. H. Jost, G. McLeod, A. H. McLaren, D. R. Rutherford, H. O. Smith, T. C. Teasdale, A. H. Ward.

Paying Pupils—F. A. Blackadar, A. Chipman, H. H. Dalton, C. Davis, H. E. C. Keating, W. B. Pearman, D. R. Wetmore, A. E. Wilson.

Failed—A Dixon, C. A. Phelan, W. M. Preedy, for scholarship, and F. H. Dixon for admission as a paying pupil.

It was resolved that the Chairman make such arrangements with the Bank of Nova Scotia, so as to enable the teachers to be paid regularly.

Commissioner Dr. Read spoke of the impropriety of allowing the unlawful houses in the neighborhood of the High School. He thought they should have been suppressed long ago.

Great efforts are being made to destroy the Scott Act. At a recent meeting at Ottawa of brewers, distillers and others concerned in the liquor traffic, between thirty thousand and forty thousand dollars were subscribed to fund that purpose.

At St. Ann's C. B. while a number of people were on the bridge returning from church on Sunday week the bridge fell and precipitated them into the rapid current below. One woman had a leg fractured. Others received some severe bruises.

Parraboro has been troubled with unusually heavy freshets for two or three weeks past. Newcomb's bridge, Beaver Dam bridge, and Fullerton's bridge, Halfway River, are gone. All the large bridges between Parraboro and Five Islands have fallen or been swept away.

Ramshead River bridge is gone, and nearly all the small bridges in the municipality are no more. Carriage driving has been suspended, and the mails carried on horseback by fording the rivers. Robert Ward's mill-dam at Dilligent River is gone with all his timber. A blacksmith shop at that place is said to have been floated away. Much labor is being performed in repairing the injuries to bridges &c.

In answer to numerous inquiries we have to say that Sheridan's Cavalry Condition Powders are a pure article. We know them to be so. They are as much superior to all others as a good thing is superior to a worthless one.

Rev. Alex. Ross late of Harbor Grace Newfoundland, has accepted a call to the Presbyterian church at Parraboro.

APPOINTMENTS.—Richmond Co: To be a Justice of the Peace—Daniel Gerrior, of Arichat.

Queens Co: To be a Justice of the Peace—James M. Cameron, of South Brookfield.

Inverness Co: To be a Justice of the Peace—Felix Chesson, of Margaree Forks.

Cumberland Co: To be commissioners of Sewers—Hazen Embree and William Embree, Jr. To be a Commissioner of Sewers—W. P. Keillor, of Amherst. To be a Justice of the Peace—Allan Doncaster, of Amherst.

Kings Co: To be a Justice of the Peace—John E. Dunham, Lakeville.

Digby Co: To be a Justice of the Peace—A. H. Comeau, of Meteghan River. To be Registrar of Probate—Frederick W. Ruggles, of Barton.

Annapolis Co: To be Commissioners for giving relief to Insolvent Debtors, &c.—Jacob M. Owen, Barrister, and Isaac Harris, Esquires.

Halifax Co: To be a Justice of the Peace—Clarence J. Spike, of Halifax.

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We are informed that a portion of each issue of the Digby Courier is hereafter to be printed in French.

The steamer Summerside has commenced running between Charlottetown and Pictou.

Mr. A. M. Chisholm Musical Instructor, formerly of the Institution for the Blind, is expecting shortly to go to Germany for further instructions in his profession. Arrangements are in progress to give him a farewell concert by the co-operation of a number of his musical friends. It will doubtless be a highly attractive programme and secure a large attendance.

New Brunswick.

The Religious Intelligencer says: Hon. D. Hanington, President of the Legislative Council of New Brunswick, reached his 80th birthday last week. Fifty-one years ago he was first elected to the Assembly for Westmorland, and since that time, with but one brief interruption, has occupied a seat in the Provincial Legislature.

Prof Foster M. P. will deliver the Alumni Oration at the coming Enconie of the Fredericton University. The oration in behalf of the faculty will be given by Dr. Harrison.

Progress backward! St. John is to have a smoking concert to-morrow evening.

Mr. R. W. L. Tibbetts, M. P. P. for Victoria County has been appointed Deputy Provincial Secretary in room of Mr. Smith.

A silver mine, was recently discovered at St. Nicholas River, in the Parish of Welford, Kent County, by a Mr. Brooks. Analysis of the ore shows an average of 65 per cent, of the precious metal.

The Gibson cotton mill is progressing. The workmen are now putting down the floors and constructing stairs. English capitalists are interested with Mr. Gibson in this mill, which is to cost a million dollars.

In St. John, on Thursday night, Mrs. Kate Kavanagh was almost burned to death. The accident is supposed to have been caused by a careless use of kerosene oil. There was no hope for the unfortunate woman.

Dominion of Canada.

An extra of the Canada Gazette contains a disallowance of the Ontario Act regulating the cost of liquor licenses.

F. Lewis was arrested at Peterborough, Ont, charged with stealing a six per cent. Canadian bond and cashing it. F. Lewis was at one time clerk in the Receiver-General's office, and was superannuated two or three years ago. He must have stolen the bond while he was in the department, kept it in his possession, and only recently forged and cashed it. Sale for the bond was obtained in London, England. It was a Government detective who made the capture. The bonds in question fall due the 1st January, 1885.

British Columbia. A despatch from Victoria on Friday last says: The astounding discovery has been made that the mails which left Victoria March 21 and 24 for the East and Europe never reached their destination. Robbery is assigned as the cause. The pecuniary loss will be heavy. Last December two mails from Canada and England for Victoria via the Northern Pacific were stolen.

A strange discovery was made at the Parliament buildings at Toronto on Wednesday last. It appears that a son of one of the caretakers was playing around the eastern end of the buildings in which are situated the Crown lands offices containing all the records of the department from the earliest settlement of the Province. From the ventilators under the window lighting the Commissioner of Crown Lands Office he saw a roll of paper protruding. He at once pulled it out and two dynamite cartridges of the most powerful kind were discovered. A wire and a fuse was attached and though the connection has not yet been traced to the battery, there is not the slightest doubt that they were ready for explosion at a very short notice on a suitable opportunity occurring. The mingled consternation and excitement was very great, and the word was immediately passed round the buildings of the find being made. Government officials were at once on the scene and the situation was deemed so grave as to demand an instant search of the whole of the buildings, when, under the steps approaching to the Speaker's chambers two more cartridges were found in a similar position and placed there with the same deadly purpose. Again the arrangements were completely the same, dynamite was in two cartridges, the wire was attached and the preparations had been made for the attachment, which lay a short distance from the cartridges. This demonstrated that the miscreants had been disturbed in their foul purpose and compelled to suddenly abandon it. The safe containing the records of the Registrar-General's Department is in proximity to the place where the destructive agent was discovered. The cartridges found are about six inches long by an inch and a half in diameter. They weigh between a quarter and half a pound. They are called "Etna No. 2," and are manufactured by the Etna Powder Company of Chicago.

The Halifax Morning Chronicle remarks on this so-called sensation:

In this instance it may turn out that some patriotic Torontonian has been endeavoring to settle the knotty question of the erection of new Parliament buildings. If the dynamites succeeded in blowing up the old buildings without hurting anybody, Toronto should feel grateful to them.

A line of railway cars, to be drawn by camels, will shortly constitute one of the peculiar features of travel and transportation in Central Asia.

News of the World.

The Egyptian authorities deny that O'Kelly was arrested by order of the Egyptian Government.

A riot occurred among the striking laborers in Diamond Fields. The police in attempting to suppress the outbreak killed several.

The new cavalry barracks in process of erection at Portsmouth suddenly fell on Monday. The workmen all of whom were convicts, were buried in the ruins. The loss of life is large.

The Egyptian Government has offered a Soudnese chief £5,000 to bring General Gordon from Khartoum.

The London Times continues to receive offers of money to relieve General Gordon. A lady offers £5,000 towards paying Abyssinian troops to relieve Kassala and Khartoum.

A lady has written a letter to the Morning Post offering £1,000 toward the relief of General Gordon.

Six persons died from cholera on the troopship Crocodile during her voyage from India to England.

The walls of one of the buildings of Wm. Whiteley's mercantile establishment in Westbourne Grove, London, which was partially destroyed by fire last Saturday, collapsed on Thursday. Fifty workmen engaged in making repairs were buried in the ruins. A large number were injured and were transferred to the hospital.

Wages of ship builders on the Clyde were reduced on Tuesday last ten per cent. 12,000 men are idle.

In consequence of documents found in the possession of James Egan under arrest at Birmingham for three weeks, charged with complicity with Daly in the dynamite scheme, William McDonald, a publican, has been arrested, charged with keeping a Fenian district centre.

A meeting of shipowners held at Newcastle on Wednesday approved of the proposal to lay up one-fourth of their tonnage in view of the present condition of the freight market.

A despatch from Paris to the Standard says an Irishman states that an emissary of the Clan-na-Gael has arrived in Paris from New York to buy a cruiser provided with torpedoes. Revolving guns will protect the crews if attacked. These vessels will be employed against British men-of-war in various harbors. Tynan stated in London that behind him was force before which England would one day tremble.

James Stephens is engaged upon a work entitled "The History of Fenianism and the Irish Republican Brotherhood," compiled from private diaries and correspondence.

The Times correspondent at Cairo says that intriguing, especially by the French, is more active than ever.

The marriage of Princess Victoria of Hesse, to Prince Louis of Battenberg, to place Wednesday, April 30th. After the performance of the rite of the civil marriage the bride was led to the palace chapel by her grandmother. They were followed by a procession composed of the royal guests, Queen Victoria leading, followed by the Prince and Princess Imperial of Germany, the Prince and Princess of Wales, Princess Beatrice, Prince William of Prussia, and Prince Alexander of Bulgaria, the brother of the bridegroom. When the bride and bridegroom exchanged rings at the altar a salute of 36 guns was fired. All the guests, except Queen Victoria, attended the banquet in the evening. The couple afterward started for Jugenheim amid the plaudits of throngs of people.

By the breaking of a railroad bridge near Ciudadreal, in Spain, a train of passenger cars was precipitated into the river. Several persons are reported killed, and twenty received serious injuries. The fact that one of the supports of the bridge was afterwards found to have been cut through leads to the belief that the disaster was the result of malicious work.

Another band of insurgents, says a Madrid despatch, has appeared in Catalonia, and efforts are being made to capture it. At last reports from Ciudad, regarding the railway disaster of Sunday, places the number of persons missing at 110. The Government adhere to the belief already expressed that the revolutionary party is responsible for the outrage.

A man has been arrested at Barcelona with four dynamite cartridges in his possession. He confessed that he intended to destroy the track of the Barcelona and Saragossa railway.

The recent report of the surrender of Berber was premature. The British agent at Berber telegraphed that the position of the town is desperate, but did not mention surrender.

The Egyptian officers at Assouan have received letters from El Madhi's lieutenant, ordering them to quit the town within ten days, and warning them that if they do not they will be annihilated.

Khartoum despatches of April 21st state that everything is reported to be safe. Trade, it is asserted, will be carried on with the Mahdis men in case Khartoum is taken. The Greek merchants are already in direct correspondence with the Mahdi with a view

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DIPHTHERIA

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MAKE HENS LAY

to the establishment of regular commerce. Nubar Pasha, the Egyptian Prime Minister, is becoming hostile to British influence and welcomes intrigues against the English. There are hints that some foreign power is giving him support.

A heavy rain and thunder storm broke over the city of London on Monday afternoon, and in the southern part of the city a ball of fire fell to the street and burst with a loud report, a phenomena that terrified the residents for miles around, and particularly those who witnessed it.

Heavy forest fires have prevailed in Pennsylvania the past few days. The poor house of VanBuren county, located near Hartford, Mich., was burned on Tuesday night, and fifteen or sixteen inmates lost their lives in the flames.

The building was a frame structure and burned rapidly. The patients who perished were all in one wing, and most of them were smothered in their beds, but several were found together. The building contained 45 paupers.

The disappearance of Benjamin Wallace, a wealthy soap manufacturer of New York was reported to the police on Thursday. When he was last seen he had a large sum of money in his possession, and it is supposed that he has met with foul play. His business is in a flourishing condition, and he was worth nearly a million dollars.

A fire broke out in Johnson & Phair's office Presque Isle, Me., and burned every store in town but two, Presque Isle hotel, more than twenty buildings in all, the post office, two law offices, and many residences. Large quantities of goods were saved.

Twelve very large stocks of dry goods, groceries and hardware were consumed or largely damaged.

The Legislative Committee of Massachusetts on claims have voted unanimously that Rogers Amero the alleged murderer of Mrs. Carlton, at Watertown, be given leave to withdraw his petition for compensation for his detention while under arrest.

Early on Tuesday morning a fire broke out in a dwelling near Ellettsville, Monero County, Indiana. Adjoining the burning building was a small frame structure belonging to a stone works in which was stored a large quantity of dynamite for blasting purposes. The fire reached this building and caused a terrific explosion, killing Wm. Williamson and wounding thirteen others.

At Havana there were two explosions on Tuesday. The first occurred in the powder magazine of San Jose, adjacent to the arsenal, in which were stored a large number of grenades and shells. The force of the explosion took the direction of the gas works, and all the gas-holders of the Havana Gaslight Company were broken. The second shock, which was heavier than the first, was caused by the explosion of gas.

The effects of the explosions were terrible. The dead number 21 and wounded 89. The latter are scattered all over town having been wounded by falling, many are seriously injured. Of a detachment of 27 soldiers in the magazine at the time of the explosion, 8 escaped unhurt. The magazine contained 1,000 cartridges, 200,000 kilograms of powder and one barrel of dynamite.

A telegram from Dayton, Ohio says: the most destructive cyclone ever known in this part of the country passed over the southern part of Montgomery and Greene counties destroying everything in its course. Authentic statements show that the cyclone was formed by the union of two light storm clouds from the south and north-west, which immediately assumed the form of a water spout, rising and descending like waves of the sea, and destroying everything in its pathway, fully one-eighth of a mile wide, the storm moving over the country like an immense cloud of smoke, while everywhere in its course the air was filled with trees and ruins of houses. Forests were mowed down like weeds, and fences destroyed for miles.

In Dayton and five miles south of the city there was rain and hail, while still further south there was rain and no hail, and in some sections of the country devastated there was neither rain nor hail.

At Bellbrook, Greene County, fifteen houses were more or less damaged but the occupants generally escaped by taking refuge in the cellars.

From Carrollton the cyclone took a direct easterly course, and its force was not in the least spent when it reached Jameston, a village of 600 inhabitants, which, it is reported, was entirely destroyed. Six persons are known to have been killed, while twenty were more or less injured.

Notices.

RECEIVED FOR THE INFANTS' HOME. Grafton, West Cornwallis.....\$4 00 William Sanford, Esq..... 0 50 M. K. F. SAUNDERS, Secy.

REV. E. O. READ wishes to inform his friends that his Post Office address is Berwick, Kings County.

CONVENTION FUNDS RECEIVED. Murray River Church, per F. Cook, Esq.....\$7 00 Knutsford Church..... 4 00 Missionary Aid Society, North River, per Miss Moreside..... 9 70 A. H. LAYERS, Fin. Com. P. E. Island, North River, P. E. I., April 28, 1884.

THE YEAR BOOK. The Baptist Year Book for the Maritime Provinces is now ready for distribution. Orders will be received at the Baptist Book Room, 104 Granville Street, Halifax, and at the Visitor Book Room, St. John, N. B. Price 10 cts.

HALIFAX BAPTIST CHURCH DIRECTORY. GRANVILLE STREET CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M., and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. Alex. McArthur. Sabbath School in the Spring Garden Vestry at 2.45 P. M. Prayer-meeting in the same place on Wednesday evening at 7.45.

NORTH BAPTIST CHURCH, GOTTINGEN STREET.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. J. W. Manning, No. 268 Robie St. Sabbath School at 2.30 P. M. Prayer-meetings on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7.30.

DARTMOUTH BAPTIST CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School at 3 P. M. Prayer-meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30. Pastor Rev. E. J. Grant.

TABERNACLE, NORTH BRUNSWICK ST.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. J. F. Avery. Sabbath School at 2.30 P. M. Prayer-meetings on Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7.30.

AFRICAN BAPTIST CHURCH, CORNWALLIS STREET.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M., and 7 P. M. Sabbath School in the vestry at 3 P. M. Prayer-meetings on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 8 o'clock.

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5. INFIRM MINISTERS' RELIEF and AID FUND.—Rev. E. M. Saunders, Halifax, N. S. 6. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FUND.—Jno. W. Bains, Esq., Wolfville.

7. NOVA SCOTIA WOMEN'S MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY.—Mrs. M. R. Selden, Halifax.

The throne of England, so splendid when covered with silk velvet and gold, is, in fact, only an "old oak chair," over eight hundred years in use for the same purpose. Its existence has been traced back to the days of Edward. The wood is very hard and solid. The back and sides were formerly in various colors and the seat is made of a rough looking sandstone 26 inches in length, 17 in breadth and 1 1/2 in thickness, and in this stone lies the grand peculiarity of the chair. Numberless legends are told in connection with it, the truth probably being that it was originally taken from Ireland to Scotland and served at the coronation of the early Scottish kings.—Pall Mall Gazette.